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In re Application of: )  
SUE-KEN YAP, et al. )  
Application No.: 09/835,325 )  
Filed: April 17, 2001 )  
For: A METHOD AND SYSTEM )  
FOR USING MULTIPLE )  
SMARTCARDS IN A READER )  
Examiner: April A. Taylor  
Group Art Unit: 2876  
April 23, 2004

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REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF CITED ART

Sir:

On February 24, 2004, Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement in the above-identified application. To date, however, Applicants have not received an initialed copy of the form PTO-1449 that accompanied that Information Disclosure Statement indicating that the cited references have been considered by the Examiner and made formally of record.

A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed together with a copy of the date-stamped postcard evidencing receipt of the Information Disclosure Statement by the Patent and Trademark Office. Applicants respectfully request an initialed copy of the form PTO-1449 included with the Information Disclosure Statement to indicate that the cited references have been considered by the Examiner and made formally of record in the application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California, office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

- (1) AU 28896/95
- (2) FR 2,752,316
- (3) EP 661,675
- (4) EP 829,831

Document (1) is an English language counterpart of WO 95/35534, which was previously submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement dated November 26, 2003.

Documents (2) to (4) were cited in a European Search Report in connection with a European counterpart application. A copy of the European Search Report, which has a date of completion of December 12, 2003, is enclosed. English-language abstracts for documents (2) and (4) are also enclosed.

This application has received an Office Action on the merits, but has not yet received either a final action or a notice of allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). Consideration of the art cited herein is accordingly deemed proper, and such action is respectfully requested.

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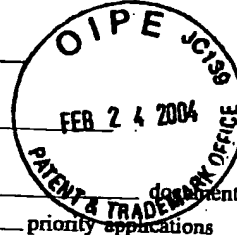
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